

Exhibit 2

Schalk Transcript Excerpts

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

SCANSOFT, INC.,

Plaintiff,

v.

C.A. No. 04-10353-PBS

VOICE SIGNAL

TECHNOLOGIES, INC.,

LAURENCE S. GILLICK,

ROBERT S. ROTH,

JONATHAN P. YAMRON,

and MANFRED G. GRABHERR,

Defendants.

DEPOSITION OF THOMAS B. SCHALK, a witness
called by and on behalf of the Defendants, taken
pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Federal
Rules of Civil Procedure, before Dana Ulrich Welch,
CSR, Registered Professional Reporter, and Notary
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10 NO. DESCRIPTION PAGE NO.

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12 1 - ComTel '85 Documents 25

13 2 - Schalk Article 30

14 3 - SpeechTech '86 Article 54

15 4 - Uniden Voice Dial Operating Guide 91

16 5A- License Agreement 133

17 5B- Amendment to License Agreement 133

18 6 - U.S. Patent 6,501,966 B1 141

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1 P R O C E E D I N G S

2 (The Texas driver's license number as
3 identification of the deponent was noted
4 for the record.)

5 WHEREUPON,

6 THOMAS B. SCHALK,
7 having duly sworn or affirmed that his
8 testimony would be the truth, the whole truth,
9 and nothing but the truth, testified as
10 follows:

11 MR. FRANK: I'm not quite sure what the
12 previous arrangement has been, but we're
13 prepared to stipulate that, although Mr.
14 Schalk should read and sign the deposition,
15 that it need not be -- his signature need
16 not be notarized.

17 And the only other agreement that I'd
18 ask is if there are no corrections after
19 30 days, that the deposition be deemed to
20 have been signed in its then current form.
21 Is that acceptable?

22 MR. SCHECTER: That's acceptable.

23 DIRECT EXAMINATION

24 BY MR. FRANK:

1 Q. How long did you work for Wirenix?

2 What was your position with Wirenix?

3 A. CTO.

4 Q. How long did you work for Wirenix?

5 A. That's a difficult question to answer,
6 because we were trying to raise money and I
7 ended up sort of giving up on that, and I did
8 some consulting. So we'll say approximately
9 six months.

10 Q. Okay. And what was your next
11 employment after Wirenix?

12 A. I did some formal consulting work for
13 NetByTel. But my first full time job was ATX.

14 Q. When did you start at ATX?

15 A. September 1st of 2002.

16 Q. If I understood you correctly, you said
17 that after you left Philips, you consulted to
18 Philips --

19 A. Yeah, that might have been -- it was
20 sometime between the time I left Philips and
21 the time I joined ATX. I don't remember
22 exactly when. But I did some brief consulting.

23 Q. What was the subject matter of that
24 consulting?

1 A. It was patent.

2 Q. Do you recall which patents?

3 A. They were related to voice activated
4 dialing; but I don't remember exactly which
5 ones.

6 Q. Have you -- do you have or have you had
7 an employment or consulting arrangement or
8 relationship with ScanSoft?

9 A. Can you restate the question?

10 Q. Sure. Actually, I asked you two
11 questions. I'll break it into two parts. Do
12 you presently have a consulting arrangement
13 with ScanSoft?

14 A. I have a consulting arrangement with
15 the attorneys representing the ScanSoft patent
16 case.

17 Q. So let me see if I understand. You've
18 been -- have you been retained as a consultant
19 by Bromberg & Sunstein, the law firm?

20 A. I'm not certain of what your definition
21 of retained is.

22 Q. Do you have a consulting agreement with
23 Bromberg & Sunstein?

24 A. I have a verbal agreement.

1 Q. I take it that agreement is not
2 recorded in any writing?

3 A. They may have faxed me something. I
4 don't remember the exact arrangement. I agreed
5 to act as a consultant over the telephone.

6 Q. Okay. And apart from testifying here
7 and preparing for that testimony, have you
8 provided other consulting services?

9 A. Prior to yesterday?

10 Q. Prior to yesterday, yes.

11 A. Yes.

12 Q. Okay. And would you describe the
13 general nature of those consulting services?

14 MR. SCHECTER: I'm going to object to
15 that. To the extent you can do so without
16 revealing any attorney work product, feel
17 free to answer.

18 THE DEPONENT: I would call it general
19 support, requests for information.

20 BY MR. FRANK:

21 Q. Okay. And are you paid for those
22 consulting services on an hourly basis?

23 A. Yes.

24 Q. What's the hourly rate?

1 of those applications is telephone -- is
2 cellular telephones. Do you see that?

3 A. Yes.

4 Q. Okay. And then below that it says,
5 "There are 25 companies in the U.S. presently
6 working on the technology." And I don't
7 suggest that that's limited in that context to
8 cellular telephones. Who were the others
9 working on voice recognition technology as it
10 relates to cellular phones at that time?

11 A. At that time, I honestly don't
12 remember.

13 Q. Who else was working on voice
14 recognition technology in connection with voice
15 dialing at that time?

16 A. I honestly don't know. We may have
17 been the only ones at that time.

18 Q. Okay. Now, let me show you something
19 else.

20 MR. FRANK: Please mark as Schalk
21 Deposition Exhibit 2 for identification a
22 document which appears to be an article
23 from a publication called "Speech
24 Technology," September/October 1986. And

1 ask you, sir, to take a moment, familiarize
2 yourself with the document while the
3 reporter marks this and then I'll ask you
4 some questions.

5 (Schalk Exhibit No. 2 marked for
6 identification.)

7 BY MR. FRANK:

8 Q. Do you recognize Exhibit 2, sir?

9 A. I remember it. I can't say I
10 remembered it before I saw it again. But yes,
11 I do remember this.

12 Q. When did you see it again?

13 A. When -- I believe the time that I've
14 seen it within the last year was in some
15 documentation associated with a subpoena from
16 ART. I believe it was an attachment.

17 Q. I take it that -- well, first, what is
18 Schalk Exhibit 2?

19 A. It's an article.

20 Q. Okay. Prepared by you?

21 A. That would be what one would conclude,
22 yes.

23 Q. And was that article published in
24 something called "Speech Technology"?

1 A. Yes.

2 Q. What is "Speech Technology"?

3 A. In the context of a publication?

4 Q. Yeah.

5 A. I believe it was a magazine, a
6 marketing magazine.

7 Q. Dose it still -- is it still a
8 publication or has it ceased to publish?

9 A. This particular one ceased to publish.
10 But there's one today that's called something
11 very similar.

12 Q. Did this publication appear in the
13 September/October 1986 issue of "Speech
14 Technology"?

15 A. I don't remember. But that's what one
16 would conclude if you look at this.

17 Q. You don't have any reason to think that
18 that's wrong?

19 A. I have no reason to think that A, this
20 didn't exist or it's been doctored or anything.

21 Q. Do you recall how long prior to the
22 actual publication you wrote this article?

23 A. My guess is that it was literally days
24 before it went to press because of the nature

1 of -- the way you do things for publication
2 like this.

3 Q. Okay. And did it -- let me direct your
4 attention first to the left-hand column on the
5 first page of the article. Toward the bottom
6 of the column it says that, "A
7 speaker-independent voice recognition system
8 for cellular phones has been developed." Do
9 you see that?

10 A. Uh-huh.

11 Q. I take it that statement was correct as
12 of the date of the article?

13 A. Yes.

14 Q. Okay. And it goes on to say that,
15 "This Voice Control unit is designed to operate
16 optimally in driving vehicles." Do you see
17 that?

18 A. Uh-huh.

19 Q. That was correct, as well?

20 A. I assume so. I mean --

21 Q. So do I. Would you -- the system that
22 is described in Schalk Exhibit 2, was that
23 shown or displayed at any trade show or other
24 industry gathering at about the time that

1 Exhibit 2 was published?

2 A. I don't remember exactly when, but it
3 would be -- I would -- I would -- I believe
4 that we did show it at trade -- we showed
5 something. I remember that it was very
6 difficult to do that because of the
7 environment.

8 Q. When you say it was difficult, what was
9 it difficult to do?

10 A. To demonstrate voice recognition at all
11 in any kind of environment where there were a
12 lot of people talking and such, which is what
13 happens at trade shows and things like that.

14 Q. Did you attend trade shows in 1986 at
15 which you, you, Voice Control, displayed the
16 thing that is described in Schalk Exhibit 2?

17 A. I don't remember, but it's very
18 possible. I don't remember specifically.

19 Q. All right. Now, this refers to the
20 system that you had developed as being
21 speaker-independent.

22 A. Yes.

23 Q. What does that mean?

24 A. Speaker-independent means that the

1 system is designed to understand spoken input
2 in a particular language, regardless of the
3 individual producing the speech.

4 Q. At least at that time, was
5 speaker-independent voice recognition
6 distinguished from speaker-dependent voice
7 recognition?

8 A. Yes.

9 Q. What was speaker-dependent voice
10 recognition?

11 A. Speaker-dependent recognition was a
12 type of technology where you would first define
13 the vocabulary items. And then a particular
14 targeted user would speak the items or the
15 vocabulary words. And the system would learn
16 templates that represented each of the
17 vocabulary words for the individual who was
18 planning to use it at a subsequent time.

19 Q. And did speaker-dependent voice
20 recognition also allow the speaker to select
21 the words that could be recognized?

22 A. In theory, yes.

23 Q. Okay. Turning to the second page of
24 the article, in the center column toward the

1 bottom, it says that "The cellular phone
2 recognition system described here was designed
3 to work under close talk conditions with a
4 cellular handset." First, tell me what -- what
5 is meant by the phrase "close talk conditions
6 with a cellular handset"?

7 A. That means that the microphone element
8 contained within the cellular phone handset was
9 held close to the mouth, much like a
10 conventional telephone.

11 Q. Okay. And is the distinction between
12 what you've just described on the one hand and
13 the microphone being located some distance from
14 the driver, for example, on the visor of the
15 car?

16 A. That's correct.

17 Q. When the microphone is on the visor of
18 the car, that was called far talk?

19 A. That's what we called it.

20 Q. Okay. And is it correct that the
21 system recognized a defined vocabulary?

22 A. Yes.

23 Q. Turning if you would to page number 26,
24 at the top, am I correct in understanding that

1 the commands that it recognized were the 28
2 listed things that appear in the right-hand
3 column?

4 A. As subsets, but not as one set.

5 Q. Okay. Let me ask you to explain what
6 you mean when you say, "as subsets but not as
7 one set"?

8 A. For example, if you pushed -- if you
9 started the system, it wouldn't be listening
10 for all these words. It would be listening for
11 maybe "dial" or "call." So you would have
12 sub-vocabularies that would activate subsequent
13 application specific vocabularies.

14 Q. Okay. The article refers -- let me get
15 you to stay with that for just a moment.

16 A. Okay.

17 Q. The article refers on page 27, center
18 column, top, to something that is referred to
19 there as "syntactically structured voice
20 commands from the user and voice responses from
21 the voice control unit." Do you see that?

22 A. Where?

23 Q. Very top.

24 A. Oh, very top. Yes, that's --

1 Q. So let me just make sure that I
2 understand. As this product was designed, it
3 listened first for a command that would tell it
4 what type of command to listen for next; have I
5 said that accurately?

6 A. Well --

7 MR. SCHECTER: Objection.

8 BY MR. FRANK:

9 Q. Please answer.

10 A. First, we're not talking about a
11 product here.

12 Q. The thing.

13 A. The thing or the system, the prototype
14 is probably the most accurate word, would
15 listen for a particular set of words. And then
16 based on what was recognized, it would listen
17 for potentially a different subset of words.
18 And I think that's what's being articulated in
19 the article.

20 Q. The words that it listens for are
21 referred to in the article as commands; is that
22 an accurate description? Or let me frame it
23 this way: Is that a description that people
24 used at the time to describe the verbal

1 utterances that --

2 A. Loosely, yeah, loosely. Commands, you
3 know, people think of voice commands in a
4 general sense. But then there are command and
5 control words versus other types of words. I
6 wouldn't call "four" a command word, unless it
7 was used to indicate a choice, like I want to
8 call four or something.

9 Q. Let's just take it one step at a time.
10 You've told me that the system could recognize
11 the words that are listed on page 26. And
12 those -- the words that the system recognized
13 -- actually, let me return to the top of page
14 27. And I want to lead you back to the
15 language which is in the center paragraph on
16 page 27.

17 In the same paragraph that I directed
18 you to, after saying that "The unit centers
19 around syntactically structured voice commands
20 from the user," it refers to voice responses
21 from the voice control unit. Do you see that?

22 A. Uh-huh.

23 Q. Okay. It then says that "The command
24 syntax structure is illustrated in Figure 3."

1 Do you see that?

2 A. Yeah. From high, low, yeah.

3 Q. And does Figure 3, in fact, set forth
4 the command structure for the cellular
5 telephone recognizer that's described in the
6 article?

7 A. From a high level, yes.

8 Q. And is it correct that you would --
9 that the first type of command that the system
10 would listen for was the word "dial" or the
11 word "recall" or the word "speed dial"?

12 A. That's what's implied by the diagram.
13 I don't remember what exactly we had active
14 because --

15 Q. Do you have any reason to think that
16 the article was an inaccurate description of
17 the then existing thing?

18 A. It could be misleading, because a lot
19 of the details of the actual system were
20 filtered out. So if one were to take this and
21 say that's all you need, it would be misleading
22 in that context. But to teach someone the
23 concepts, this is accurate.

24 Q. So the system listened for either the

1 command "dial," the command "recall" or the
2 command "speed dial"; is that correct?

3 A. Yes. Something like "clear" might have
4 been used to turn it off.

5 Q. So there were yet other commands?

6 A. There could have been. I don't recall.
7 It wouldn't surprise me if there weren't.

8 Q. Okay. Now, if the system heard the
9 command "speed dial," for example, is it
10 correct that it recognized that it should
11 listen for a particular type of word or command
12 to come next, as distinguished from the entire
13 universe of words or commands that it might be
14 listening for?

15 A. I'm not sure if -- I'm not sure what
16 your question is.

17 Q. Why did you -- why was this
18 hierarchical structure created?

19 A. Well, it represents the application
20 flow. But in general, you want to minimize the
21 vocabulary complexity at any time because of
22 accuracy limitations.

23 Q. Let me see if I understand. When a
24 speaker makes sounds, is it correct that in the

1 technology that existed then, and that's
2 described generally in this article, the system
3 compares those sounds to recorded templates and
4 establishes a probability as to what it is most
5 likely that the speaker just said?

6 A. That's one way to think of it; that's
7 not how the technology worked, though.

8 Q. Would you explain how the technology
9 worked?

10 A. That's a very involved question.

11 MR. SCHECTER: I also want to say if
12 we're going to go into that level of
13 specificity, as to how the technology
14 worked, I'm going to have to ask Mr. Roth
15 to absent himself.

16 MR. FRANK: We're talking about 1985
17 technology.

18 BY MR. FRANK:

19 Q. Is it correct that, in general, the
20 objective of the system was to --

21 A. To classify.

22 Q. What do you mean by classify?

23 A. You would speak something. It would
24 analyze it, it being the speech recognizer.

1 And it would produce a match with one of the
2 words that were active or a reject, meaning
3 that it couldn't figure it out very well.

4 Q. And is the process of matching made
5 easier if the system is only attempting to
6 match against a subset of the entire vocabulary
7 that it might hear?

8 A. Well, the smaller -- people can say
9 anything at any time, and so you're trying to
10 constrain what a user speaks. And you want
11 what the user speaks to be represented in the
12 vocabulary. So if you're dialing a phone
13 number, you don't go, "6, 5, yesterday, house,
14 2, 3."

15 Q. Yes.

16 A. So the recognizer is not going to
17 listen to "house, yesterday," and so forth.
18 It's going to listen for words or utterances
19 that correspond to dialing commands or
20 utterances or digits.

21 Q. Okay. So let me see if I can simply
22 illustrate what you said from this article. If
23 the voice recognizer hears the word "speed
24 dial" --

1 A. Yes.

2 Q. -- it --

3 A. If it recognizes the word "speed dial."

4 Q. A person utters a group of sounds which
5 in auditory speech you and I would understand
6 to be the words "speed dial." The system then
7 asks itself, what did I just hear. And it, by
8 some process, determines that it just heard the
9 words, the command "speed dial"?

10 A. Yes, conceptually correct.

11 Q. And the system is now cued to expect a
12 follow-on command, which is within -- which is
13 a subset of the total potential vocabulary?

14 A. Vocabulary, yes.

15 Q. And the follow-on command might be the
16 word "home" or "office" or a set of utterances
17 which the system interprets as the word "home"
18 or "office"; is that correct?

19 A. It's listening for a set of vocabulary
20 items. You say something and that activates a
21 new set of vocabulary items. And depending on
22 the application, what gets recognized after
23 that, if anything, you might get a different
24 set; that's what's illustrated in this diagram.

1 Q. So for example, if "speed dial" is one
2 example, and the subset of the vocabulary that
3 the system is then listening for is in the box
4 that's under the word "speed dial"; is that
5 correct?

6 A. Yes.

7 Q. And if the system hears the command
8 "dial" and then it listens for the commands
9 which are in the box underneath the word
10 "dial"?

11 A. Yes.

12 Q. And similarly, if the system hears the
13 word "recall," it then listens for the commands
14 which are in the box under the heading
15 "recall"?

16 A. Yes.

17 Q. Okay. If the system hears the commands
18 in the box under "recall" or the commands in
19 the box under "speed dial," it then performed a
20 second step, which is to do some kind of a look
21 up to associate a prerecorded telephone number
22 with whatever either two digit memory code or
23 word it believed it heard; is that correct?

24 A. There were, as I recall, there were

1 phone numbers associated with the two digit
2 memories codes or the speed dial words,
3 "spouse," "home," et cetera.

4 Q. So taking just the example of "home" as
5 the example. If the system heard the command
6 "home," it would associate that in some fashion
7 with a telephone number, which I assume was in
8 some form of look up table; is that correct?

9 A. Yes. It was programed somehow in the
10 memory.

11 Q. And having retrieved that telephone
12 number, it would pass that telephone number
13 along to a dialing --

14 A. Process.

15 Q. -- process; is that correct?

16 A. That would be how I would assume, yes.

17 Q. Okay. Now, if the system heard the
18 command "dial" and then a series of digit
19 commands, am I correct that it deciphered or
20 attempted to recognize each digit separately?

21 A. It was one at a time. There were
22 control words. There were other words besides
23 digits. But yes.

24 Q. Okay. And once the system had obtained

1 a string of digits corresponding to a phone
2 number, it would then pass that string of
3 digits along to a dialing functionality?

4 A. The system would capture -- that's not
5 exactly correct because people could speak
6 anything with this system and you had a command
7 to terminate the spoken digit sequence to
8 indicate that that's the equivalent to what
9 someone dialed on the phone.

10 Q. Okay. So let me see if I understand.
11 Step number one would be to say the command
12 "dial"?

13 A. Yes.

14 Q. That would cause the system to start
15 listening for digits; is that right?

16 A. Yes, with this implementation, yes.

17 Q. And then the next step would be or the
18 next command would be a string of digits,
19 followed by a word or command that the system
20 recognized as demarking the end of the string
21 of digits?

22 A. Yeah. It would be like pushing a send
23 button on a cell phone, you know, where you
24 dial and you're saying okay, that's what I want

1 the call, other than you could push the button.
2 And we may have had or -- well, you could say
3 "good-bye" or "end." The hard part was
4 activating it.

5 Q. So turn, if you would, to page two. Am
6 I correct in understanding that in the Uniden
7 product -- well, first, am I correct in
8 understanding that the Uniden product described
9 in Exhibit 4 was developed by Voice Control
10 Systems?

11 A. The technology used in this embodiment
12 was our technology.

13 Q. Was the physical thing manufactured by
14 Uniden or for Uniden?

15 A. I believe it was manufactured for
16 Uniden. I don't know who manufactured it.

17 Q. And I take it that thing was sold by
18 Uniden to people, to people who wanted to use
19 it in connection with the use of a mobile
20 phone?

21 MR. SCHECTER: Objection.

22 THE DEPONENT: Like a lot of these,
23 they did not become actual products you
24 could buy off the shelf. I think this one

1 did, but I don't remember. None of them
2 were pervasive.

3 BY MR. FRANK:

4 Q. I know. But there were some units sold
5 by Uniden, correct?

6 A. I don't remember for a fact. I think
7 so, but I don't remember for a fact. It wasn't
8 millions of them. It wasn't anything that made
9 our company, you know --

10 Q. Rich?

11 A. -- remember it.

12 Q. Well, certainly, it was something that
13 Uniden tried to sell to people, correct?

14 A. Bob Charles certainly did. His job was
15 to get them to sell it. And it seemed like
16 some progress was made, but I don't remember
17 how successful.

18 Q. And Uniden did offer to sell this
19 product for a defined price to people, correct?

20 A. I don't remember for certain whether
21 this became an off-the-shelf product.

22 Q. Do you have any reason to believe that
23 it didn't?

24 A. I have no reason to believe that it

1 didn't.

2 MR. FRANK: Let me show you a different
3 document which I'll ask the court reporter
4 to mark as Schalk Exhibit 5 for
5 identification. And before I ask you about
6 it, I need to provide a little background
7 about the document.

8 MR. SCHECTER: I just want to object.
9 This is marked highly confidential, subject
10 to protective order.

11 MR. FRANK: Yes. Is it your suggestion
12 that I can't use a document produced in
13 this case with a witness in this case?

14 MR. SCHECTER: I'm sorry. I was
15 confused as to who produced this. This is
16 a TI document, correct?

17 MR. FRANK: That's correct.

18 MR. SCHECTER: I don't believe that Dr.
19 Schalk would be privileged to look at
20 confidential documents of TI. Maybe I'm
21 wrong and you can talk to TI about that.
22 I'm unaware of that part.

23 MR. FRANK: I'll withdraw it.

24 BY MR. FRANK:

1 Q. Let me ask you, sir, let me ask you
2 whether the following statement is correct --
3 well, first, did Voice Control approach TI in
4 or about 1990, with respect to the purchase or
5 the potential purchase of components from Texas
6 Instruments?

7 A. It's very possible.

8 Q. Okay. And is it correct that at that
9 time the production volumes of the -- of the
10 hands-free dialing product of the type
11 described in the Uniden materials in Exhibit 4
12 were on the order of 20 to 25,000 units a year?

13 A. I have -- I don't have any reason to
14 believe that's true or false.

15 MR. SCHECTER: Just so I can be clear,
16 that was not marked as Exhibit 5, right.

17 MR. FRANK: No. I'll withdraw it.

18 BY MR. FRANK:

19 Q. Now, the way the Uniden product worked,
20 and I direct your attention now to page two,
21 was that, in effect, the product was alerted to
22 start listening for further commands by the
23 command "phone start"?

24 A. Yeah. After you turn it on, and as it

1 indicates, you'd say "hello," it would be
2 listening for "phone start," "activate
3 service," some kind of pair of commands.

4 Q. And there was to be a pause between the
5 word "phone" and "start"?

6 A. Had to be.

7 Q. Of a sufficient duration?

8 A. Had to be, yes.

9 Q. Okay. And if the speaker spoke too
10 rapidly, the system would say back to you
11 "slower, please," that is, it would prompt you
12 to put a longer pause in the middle?

13 A. Not during the activation phase. I
14 believe it would just sit there unless it heard
15 something that met all the criteria; in other
16 words, it would stay dormant.

17 Q. Let me direct your attention, if I
18 could, to the second page. You see the heading
19 that starts with the word "note"?

20 A. Uh-huh.

21 Q. Now, let me direct your attention to
22 the paragraph that's just underneath it. It
23 says, "If too short a pause is left between the
24 words" and I think the words that are being

1 referred to there are "phone" "start," "voice
2 dial may remain silent while waiting for the
3 second word, say 'slower please,' which
4 indicates that not a long enough pause between
5 the words, that there was not a long enough
6 pause between the two words."

7 A. Yeah, that's obviously what is written
8 here. I wouldn't have thought we did it this
9 way, but it's very possible. It's certainly a
10 possible way that it was implemented. We had a
11 lot of issues with this particular feature.

12 Q. Is it correct that when the system was
13 ready to receive further commands, it spoke the
14 response "ready"?

15 A. Yes.

16 Q. Okay. And was that response
17 prerecorded or synthesized?

18 A. I'm pretty sure it was prerecorded.

19 Q. And one set of options were that the
20 user could then issue the command "dial"?

21 A. That would be very, very likely, yes,
22 because we had "dial," "call"; we had a couple
23 of times we switched those around, but dial was
24 probably the one.

1 Q. And the Uniden product would then
2 prompt the user to issue a command consisting
3 of a string of digits by saying "number,
4 please"; is that correct? Top of page four.

5 A. According to this document, that's how
6 it works. I don't remember exactly what it
7 said. We had a number of ways to prompt for
8 digit sequences.

9 Q. Was that a way?

10 A. I have no reason to believe that this
11 was not how it worked.

12 Q. Am I correct that if this functionality
13 was being used, the user would then speak a
14 string of digits one at a time?

15 A. Yeah. Yes.

16 Q. And just as you explained before, after
17 speaking the last digit, the speaker would say
18 "end," signaling to the voice recognizer the
19 string of digits had been completed?

20 A. That was the anchor command, if you
21 will.

22 Q. Then is it correct that the product
23 designed by Voice Control would repeat the
24 digits that it had heard back to the user in

1 some fashion?

2 A. Yes. I believe that's true.

3 Q. And if the user were satisfied, he
4 would then say a word like "send" --

5 A. Or "dial."

6 Q. -- or "dial"?

7 A. Yes.

8 Q. Which, if recognized accurately by the
9 device, would cause the telephone number that
10 is the same as that string -- as the spoken
11 string of digits --

12 A. Yeah. It would feed the string of
13 digits that was recognized into the phone as
14 though you were typing them.

15 Q. Okay. And if it didn't understand a
16 digit, it would say "repeat, please" or
17 something like that?

18 A. Yeah. "Please repeat." There were
19 various implementations; sometimes it would say
20 "pardon." When it didn't classify something,
21 it would usually tell you to repeat it.

22 Q. And is it correct that there were a set
23 of commands that would or there was a command
24 that would alert the voice recognizer that the

1 next command coming was a word like "home" or
2 "office"?

3 A. Yeah. Something like "call" instead of
4 "dial."

5 Q. So let's see --

6 A. I don't remember if that's in there.
7 But it would have been something like that. We
8 used to use "speed dial"; that didn't work very
9 well. We switched over to other words. Yeah,
10 "call."

11 Q. Where are you, please, what page?

12 A. Page five.

13 Q. Yeah. So --

14 A. This is for redialing, but --

15 Q. Well, go to page ten, if you would.

16 A. This is --

17 Q. One of the functionalities of the
18 system -- and I'm directing you to page ten. I
19 will come back to that.

20 A. Sorry.

21 Q. The user would begin the exchange by
22 saying "phone" and then the word "start."

23 A. Right.

24 Q. And if that were recognized, the device

1 would say back, "ready"; is that correct?

2 A. Yes.

3 Q. The user would then say "call"?

4 A. Could say "call."

5 Q. Okay. And assuming that the word
6 "call" were recognized as the word "call" by
7 the voice recognizer, it would then listen for
8 one of the predefined command words, "home,"
9 "office," "secretary," and so on?

10 A. Yes.

11 Q. And did the system then say -- let's
12 assume that the speaker said the word "home,"
13 would the device then repeat back to the
14 speaker the verification "calling home"?

15 A. As I recall, yes.

16 Q. And if the speaker was satisfied that
17 that's what he had, in fact, said, he would say
18 "send," and assuming that the word send was
19 properly recognized, the system would do two
20 things; first it would do a look up to
21 determine what telephone number was associated
22 with the command word "home"?

23 A. Yes.

24 Q. And having identified that telephone

1 number, it would send that telephone number to
2 a dialer?

3 A. Yeah. In some fashion it would
4 simulate or somehow communicate to do the same
5 thing as dialing the number, the stored number.

6 Q. Okay. And is it correct that
7 substantially the same process would be
8 followed if the user wanted to enter a speed
9 dial that was a number rather than the command
10 "home" or "office"?

11 A. You could speed dial with a numeric
12 indicator, yes.

13 Q. Now, let me direct your attention to
14 the chart that's on page 12. Is it -- does the
15 chart on page 12 accurately set forth the
16 command structure that was used in the Uniden
17 product?

18 A. That's -- yeah, I would assume that. I
19 have no reason to believe anything in this is
20 intended to be wrong. So yes.

21 Q. So that in each case, there was what I
22 describe as a first stage command that would --
23 that if recognized, would alert the voice
24 recognizer to listen for a subset of the

1 Uniden product?

2 A. I can -- I remember which chips we
3 used. There was a family of 8186; there was
4 also a TMS 320, a digital signaler processor
5 series. I believe one's an Intel and one's a
6 Texas Instruments kind of processor. Exactly
7 what we used, I don't remember.

8 Q. Is there an Intel chip that you
9 associate with chips that had become powerful
10 enough and small enough so that you could have
11 a speaker-dependent and speaker-independent
12 functionality in the same product?

13 A. Without putting a timeline on it, yes.

14 Q. What Intel product do you associate
15 with that greater -- that smaller footprint and
16 greater capability?

17 A. Smaller footprint is not what I meant.

18 Q. I'm sorry.

19 A. It could accommodate more complexity
20 and more memory, but you know, without
21 increasing in size or cost. So I don't know
22 exactly. There was more than just the
23 processor. There was memory. And then there
24 was the audio interface, the analog to digital

1 and digital to audio component of cost.

2 Q. Do you associate a particular -- well,
3 first, let's take the CPU chip; was it a 286
4 chip that permitted --

5 A. I don't remember which one it was. I'm
6 not a hardware expert. I'm a signal processing
7 expert. So that would have been, you know, we
8 had people that specialized in that, Bern
9 Bareis being one, Larry Morse being one and
10 Steve Peterson.

11 Q. Did Voice Control Systems develop --
12 did there come a time when Voice Control
13 Systems began work on a product where the voice
14 recognizer would be located someplace else than
15 at the handset?

16 A. Yes.

17 Q. Okay. Where was the voice recognizer
18 to be located as associated with that product?

19 A. Of course, there was the cellular
20 switch-based recognizer, which I would refer to
21 as off-board.

22 Q. Okay. What's the easier -- the
23 cellular switch-based product is something you
24 called an off-board product?

1 A. Yes.

2 Q. As compared to an on-board product?

3 A. Embedded. Embedded is the word.

4 Q. I just want to get the nomenclature
5 straight, so we're talking about the same
6 thing. One type of product is a so-called
7 embedded product and that's a product that's
8 embedded in a cellular handset?

9 A. Not necessarily in a handset; but it's
10 part of the phone.

11 Q. Part of the cellular telephone?

12 A. And a good way to think of it is that
13 for an embedded solution, you have a direct
14 connection between what you speak into and the
15 recognizer; whereas with an off-board, you're
16 going through some wireless media to
17 communicate the audio in both directions.

18 Q. Okay. I think I understand. Let me
19 just say it back to you to make sure I do have
20 it. With the embedded product, that product
21 was either part of the cellular handset itself
22 or at least it was so closely associated with
23 the handset that you were speaking directly to
24 the voice recognizer and not over the air

1 waves?

2 A. Yes. But let me clarify. In the time
3 frames we've been talking where the portable
4 phone, where the handset was it, was still --

5 Q. Large?

6 A. Well --

7 Q. Larger?

8 A. Well, it hadn't really come to
9 fruition. I don't remember the exact time.
10 But portable phones -- what existed back when
11 we were working on these were separate
12 transceivers. So you would pick up the phone
13 and a lot of the intelligence, including the
14 transceiver, would be not in your hand. You
15 would not have the antenna up there; you'd have
16 it in the back of your car.

17 Q. My memory is that those were the first
18 car phones, what lay people, those of us in the
19 lay public refer to as car phones.

20 A. When people think of car phones, those
21 are the ones they think of. There was actually
22 something before that, but --

23 Q. That was, in fact, transmitting
24 messages over a cellular system; is that

1 correct?

2 A. Yeah, audio. They were audio channels
3 and bi-directional audio, yes.

4 Q. And you distinguish that -- that's what
5 you've been calling or what I think you called
6 an on-board system. Whereas an off-board
7 system is a system that was typically either a
8 part of or peripheral to a central switch; is
9 that correct?

10 A. That it's relying on wireless media or
11 some kind of connection. A telephone could be
12 -- a land line telephone could also be an
13 off-board kind of thing. When you call into a
14 call center and you get a computer, that would
15 be certainly not in the handset; it would be
16 off-board.

17 Q. It's essentially, that, too, is
18 associated in some way with a centralized
19 location; is that correct?

20 A. Yes.

21 Q. So instead of there being a voice
22 recognizer in or associated with each handset
23 on the periphery of the system, the voice
24 recognizer, a single voice recognizer or at